

Appl. No. 10/090,080
Amdt. dated 04/11/2005
Reply to Office Action of 03/07/2005

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed 03/07/2005. In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to the specification, rejected claims 17 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. § 102, indicated allowable subject matter in claims 18-25 and 27-30, and allowed claims 1-16. Reconsideration in light of the amendments and remarks made herein is respectfully requested.

Specification

2. The Examiner objects to the specification because the title of the invention is not descriptive. Applicant has amended the title to be --Synthesis of a Synchronization Clock--. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the objection to the specification.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

3. The Examiner rejects claims 17 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Akashi (US 6,178,212). Applicant has amended these claims to include the elements of claims 18 and 27 which the Examiner indicated as containing allowable subject matter.

Allowable Subject Matter

8. Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of claims 1-16.

9. Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. The Examiner objects to claims 18-25 and 27-30 as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but indicates that the claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has amended independent claims 17 and 26 to include all of the limitations of dependent claims 18 and 27 and any intervening dependent claims and cancelled claims 18 and 27. Claims 19-21, 24-25, and 28-30 have been amended to adjust the dependencies. New claims 31 and 32 depending from independent claim 26 and corresponding to claims 23 and 25 have been added. Applicant respectfully requests that independent claims 17 and 26 and all claims that depend therefrom be allowed.

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Conclusion

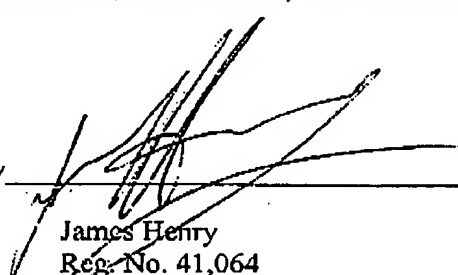
Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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